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106TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1298

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to permit public schools and certain other entities to determine presumptive eligibility for children under the Medicaid Program.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 25, 1999

Mr. BENTSEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Medicaid Child Eligi-  
5 bility Improvement Act of 1999".

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF ENTITIES ELIGIBLE TO MAKE PRE-**  
2 **SUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATIONS**  
3 **FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE MEDICAID PRO-**  
4 **GRAM.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1920A(b)(3)(A)(i) of the  
6 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396r-1a(b)(3)(A)(i)) is  
7 amended

8 (1) by striking “or (II)” and inserting “, (II)”;  
9 and

10 (2) by inserting before the semicolon the fol-  
11 lowing: “, or eligibility of a child under the State  
12 child health plan under title XXI, or (III) is an ele-  
13 mentary school or secondary school, as such terms  
14 are defined in section 14101 of the Elementary and  
15 Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8801),  
16 is a child care resource and referral agency or a  
17 child support enforcement agency, or is a public or  
18 nonprofit entity that receives Federal funds under  
19 title III or IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless  
20 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11331, 11361 et seq.) or  
21 under part A or B of title III of the Juvenile Justice  
22 and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C.  
23 5711, 5714-1 et seq.)”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
2 subsection (a) take effect on the date of the enactment  
3 of this Act.

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